ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಂ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಹಡಗಲಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಮೂರು ಮೈಲಿ ದೂರದಲ್ಲಿ N.E.S ಬ್ಲಾಕ್ ಇರುವುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಸಿ. ಲಿಂಗಾರೆಡ್ಡಿ.—ಹೊಸಪೇಟೆ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಪಕ್ಕದಲ್ಲಿದೆ.

Supply of adequate medicines and drugs to Coorg.

*Q.—360. Sri K. P. KARUMBAYA (Virajpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have received any complaint regarding the inadequate supply of medicines and drugs to the Hospitals in Coorg, and if so, from whom ;

(*b*) whether appropriate arrangements have been made to supply in time adequate stocks of medicines to hospitals in Coorg ;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that there is undue delay for supply of medicines from Stores Department, Bangalore, to Hospitals in Coorg ;

(*d*) whether the Government will consider stocking the year's supply at Mercara under the direct charge of District Medical Officer to facilitate distribution to Coorg Hospitals as and when required ;

(*e*) what is the amount allotted to Coorg for the year 1959-60 towards supply of medicines and drugs?

A.—Sri K. K. HEGDE (Minister for Health).—

(*a*) Yes; from the Secretary, Coorg Voters' Association, Mercara, and from Sri K. Mallappa B.A., B.L., M.L.A.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) Rs. 2 lakhs.

Sri K. P. KARUMBAYA.—May I know whether the Government have enquired into the complaints and satisfied themselves that there has been inadequate supply of medicine and drugs to the Coorg Hospital ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—The Government have enquired into the complaints and come to the conclusion that there is not much difficulty in getting medicines.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—With reference to answer (*d*), may I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that the former State of Coorg had a medical store at Mercara ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—The Government were not aware of the stores. But they have been making indents of medicines worth Rs. 10,000 per month privately apart from what they got from Madras.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—I want to know whether you are supplying medicines to those hospitals in such quantity as we were getting prior to the integration ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—It is too general a question.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Have they spent all the two lakhs of rupees allotted to Coorg for the supply of medicines and drugs ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—It is not a question of spending the sum of Rs. 2 lakhs ; it is a question of demand. When there was any demand, that has been met.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—What is the worth of medicines that are supplied to Coorg hospitals ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—All the indents have been complied with and medicines have been supplied. There are no further indents.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—What are the indents made ? What is their value ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I cannot assess the amount spent on that. There have been 23 indents up to 13-9-59. All were complied with. Later, 8 extra indents were made and they were also complied with. 8 indents have been sent to Madras from the Medical Stores and they all have been complied with.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—May I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that there is a special fund contributed by the plantation labour and that fund is intended for the purchase of drugs and stocking them at Mercara ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I am aware of it ; but no decision has been taken as to the utilisation of the fund.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—May I know when that decision will be taken ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—It will be dealt with by the Labour Department in the first instance and then it will come to me.

Sri K. P. KARUMBAYA.—May I know whether the allotment made to Coorg for the year 59-60 is very much less than what it was prior to the integration ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—It is something more than that.

Sri Y. MANJAYA SHETTY.—Have the Government received complaints as to the unsatisfactory working of the Medical Stores in Bangalore and if so, what steps they have taken to set right things ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—It is outside the scope of the question.

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—Are the Government aware that with regard to the funds collected from the planters, an arrangement has been arrived at and that arrangement has not been set into operation as yet by the Medical Department ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I am aware that they constituted a sub-committee with the Labour Commissioner and the D.M.S. and they have sent some proposals and they are under examination.

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—Is there any justification for the Government in delaying the spending of the amount collected two years back ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—It is not a question of delay and all that. All the demands made with regard to the medical department have been met.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SETTY.—You have said that the present allotment of Rs. 2 lakhs is much more than what it was prior to the integration. Is it a fact that the cost of medicines has gone up by 50 per cent and thereby this amount is found insufficient ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—Whether the cost has gone up or not, Rs. 2 lakhs is not specific amount. It is over and above the supply made both from the Madras Stores and the Bangalore Stores.

Relief measures in Bellary District.

*Q.—238. Sri B. E. RAMIAH (Siruguppa).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the taluks in Bellary district where crops have failed due to adverse seasonal conditions during this year;

(*b*) whether they are aware that famine conditions are prevailing in those taluks during this year;

(*c*) the relief measures undertaken by them ?

*A.—Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) Mungari crops in parts of Hadagali, Sirupuppa and Bellary Taluks are affected due to inadequate rainfall.

(*b*) The conditions in this area as they exist at present do not warrant their declaration as famine affected areas.

(*c*) To provide employment to the agricultural labour Hagari-Rupangudi road has been started as a relief work. In addition, excavation of the T.B.P. High Level Canal work has also been started in 3 places, *i.e.*, near Thimmalapura, Kolagal and Sanjeevarayanakota.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಇ. ರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಮುಂಗಾರಿ ಬೆಳೆಗೆ ಮಳೆ ಬಾರದೆ ಹೋದರೆ ಹಿಂಗಾರು ಬೆಳೆಗೂ ಮಳೆ ಬಾರದೆ ಬೆಳೆಗಳೆಲ್ಲಾ ಹೋಗಿರುತ್ತವೆಂಬ ಅಂಶ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಡಿದಾಳ್ ಮಂಜಪ್ಪ.—ಆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯನ್ನು ನಿರ್ಧರಿಸಲು ಇನ್ನೂ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಕಾಲ ಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಇ. ರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಹೋದ ವರ್ಷವೂ ಸಹ ಹೀಗೇ ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಸಿರಗುಪ್ಪ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳೆಯಾಗದೆ ಅಲ್ಲಿನ ಜನರು ಬಹಳ ಕಷ್ಟದಲ್ಲಿದ್ದಾರೆಂಬ ಅಂಶ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರಿಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಹೋದ ವರ್ಷದ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಈಗ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಉದ್ಭವಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಇ. ರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಹೀಗೆ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಕಳೆದ ಎರಡು ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದಲೂ ಅಭಾವದಿಂದ ಜನರು ಕಷ್ಟ ಪಡುತ್ತಿರುವ ವಿಚಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಪರಿಹಾರ ನೀಡಲು ಏನು ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳನ್ನು ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಕೈಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಡಿದಾಳ್ ಮಂಜಪ್ಪ.—ಅಲ್ಲಿಯ ಜನರಿಗೆ ಉದ್ಯೋಗವನ್ನು ಕಲ್ಪಿಸಲು ತುಂಗಭದ್ರ ಹೈಕೆನಾಲ್ ಕಾಂಗಾರಿಯನ್ನೂ, ಇನ್ನೂ ಕೆಲವು ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಾಂಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನೂ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭ ಮಾಡುವಂತೆ ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಇ. ರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಆ ಕೆಲಸಗಳೆಲ್ಲ ಹೊಸಪೇಟೆ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಜನರಿಗಾಯಿತು. ಸಿರಗುಪ್ಪ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಜನರಿಗೇನು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ?